

Press Release

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On: TEXAS MILK PRODUCTION

UP 4.4 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN Texas milk production totaled 470 million pounds during October, up 4.4 percent from last year's production of 450 million pounds. September 2004 production totaled 450 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during October averaged 320,000 head, up 3,000 head from last year but unchanged from September 2004. Production per cow averaged 1.470 pounds during October, 50 pounds more than last year and 65 pounds above September 2004.

Milk production in the 20 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 12.2 billion pounds, up 1.3 percent from production in these same states in October 2003. September revised production, at 11.9 billion pounds, was up 1.3 percent from September 2003.

Production per cow during October averaged 1,576 pounds, 15 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 20 states was 7.77 million head, 26,000 head more than last year but unchanged from September 2004.